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words were before the Senate the unfinished business, which is H. R. 6829.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the bill (H. R. 6829) to authorize certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations and for other purposes.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senate already proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. JOHNSTON of Texas. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the forum call be rescinded.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE MARINE CORPS

Mr. JOHNSTON of South Carolina. I wish to take this opportunity to thank the distinguished members of the Senate conference committee.

Mr. S. Johnson. Appropriations for their efforts which resulted in the sum of \$20 million for the Marine Corps.

I am glad to keep myself in trim shape and ready as I have in the past, to defend the Nation in time of emergency.

I think that this is a major victory for our defense, and, while my feelings on this matter are well known, I wish to thank the distinguished members of the conference committee, and especially the distinguished Senator from Georgia (MR. RUSSELL).

I believe this action will prove in the future to be very beneficial to our national defense.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

A message from the House of Representatives by Mr. Bartlett, one of its clerks, announced that the House had passed the bill (S. 2090) to amend the Mutual Security Act of 1954, and for other purposes, with amendments, in which it requested the concurrence of the Senate; that the House insisted upon its amendments; asked a conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and that Mr. RICHARDS, Mr. MORGAN, Mr. ZASLOVSKY, Mr. VOYK and Mr. JUDY were appointed managers on the part of the House at the conference.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The message also announced that the Speaker had affixed his signature to the following enrolled bills, and they were signed by the Acting President pro tempore:

H. R. 928. An act for the relief of Eugenio Maita; and

H. R. 3194. An act for the relief of E. S. Barney.

CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN MILITARY, NAVAL, AND AIR FORCE INSTALLATIONS

Mr. JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of the unfinished business.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, the Chair lays

million of the Navy's authorized operational facilities. Troops' barracks and headquarters, which means barracks and headquarters, constitutes about \$1 billion. Family housing makes up \$1 billion of the total. The remaining portion of the Navy program is for research and development, training facilities, the acquisition of avionics around naval air stations, pollution abatement programs, and other recreational facilities.

The Air Force authorization is greater than that of the Army and Navy combined. As Senator know, we are striving for a 137-wing Air Force by 1957.

This Air Force construction program is intended to provide the additional facilities to support that force level. Air Force construction is spread over 255 bases—151 are in the United States and 104 overseas. There are two new bases in the Air Force program, one in the Buckingham Weapons Center, Idaho, and the other a new Air Defense base in Milwaukee, Wis., area.

As is true in recent years, the Strategic Air Command gets a lion's share of the Air Force authorization. Viewing the program from categories of construction, airfield pavements is by far the largest item.

Title IV of the bill authorizes construction of a headquarters in Washington for the Central Intelligence Agency. I believe it is widely recognized, Congress at least, that the Central Intelligence Agency is scattered among temporary buildings in Washington, and that it could operate more effectively and economically in building designed to suit its requirements.

There is local opposition to some of the items in this bill, principally pertaining to land acquisition. The committee has afforded everyone who advised us of his desire to do so, opportunity to testify. Committee on the more controversial items summarized in the committee report.

Some of our decisions were difficult ones and we claim no infallibility. We have, however, exercised our judgment bearing in mind the requirements of national defense and the welfare of the persons most directly affected by our actions.

Of special significance, I think, is the housing authorization contained in the bill. Scattered throughout titles II and III are authorizations for the construction of almost 17,000 units of military family housing. In the real that this request constitutes only a part of the requirements for family housing, these authorizations have been virtually intact. In approving this authorization, we have not been mindful of the military housing authorization contained in the bill reported by the Banking and Currency Committee, which later passed the Senate. The bill would provide \$1,350,000,000 authority to guarantee mortgages on houses for military personnel. This authority could be used over the next years and, if fully utilized, could be used to meet the needs of the military.

It is reported that this title has been eliminated from the bill in the House and we are unable to

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Mr. BROWNSON. Mr. Chairman, I am voting "present" on the rollcall on H.R. 6829, authorizing construction for the military departments and the Central Intelligence Agency.

To me, this is the only sound position open because I have not been able to find in the extensive hearings and the report the facts I feel I need in order to pass on this \$2.36 billion authorization for the purchase of more real estate by the Department of Defense, which already holds properties costing more than \$24.8 billion with some of it being carried at ridiculously low acquisition costs. This holding comprises 61 percent of the acquired real property of the United States Government. In addition, the Department of Defense leases 190 locations including 1,983,686 acres for which it pays an annual rental of \$19,697,000.

I cannot say that the armed services do not need every facility provided in the bill before us today—but after reading the hearings, I do have some reasonable doubts. Neither can I say that the armed services do need these facilities and this land in every case.

In the brief of authorizations, under title I, the Army lists \$223,993,000, or 40 percent, of its construction authorizations as "classified." The Navy, under title II, lists \$151,342,400, or about 25 percent of its construction funds as "classified." I am pleased that the Air Force seems more detailed and forthright in its justifications throughout and does not hide behind the term "classified" for projects most of which are being built right here in the United States, where all our citizens can observe daily the steam shovels, bulldozers, and steel-workers working on the projects so carefully "classified" from Congress.

I have been unable to discover just what is the construction included in title IV for the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Evidently this \$300,000 did not appear in the original H. R. 5700 as introduced by the gentleman from Georgia [Mr. VINSON], at least not in title IV where it is now. Is this a house for Admiral Radford? Is it an elite housing project to provide for his personal staff, too? How many facilities can you provide for an admiral for \$300,000. I am not saying that this is necessarily either an unwise or an unjustified expenditure; I would just like to know what it is for and what we get for the money. Such items as "Chairman, JCS, \$300,000," do not explain to me what use is to be made of the taxpayers' money any more than I can be completely satisfied with general phrases such as "Operational and maintenance facilities," "Community facilities," and "Storage facilities," as justifications for the expenditure of billions of dollars.

I do not know whether the CIA needs a \$6 million building site and a \$50 million building, or not. I do not know or have any idea of how many employees CIA now has. I do not know what they do or to whom they are really accountable. Perhaps if I knew these things I would want to increase the CIA construction authorization, but I guess I will never know. Perhaps those of us in Congress

guidance to CIA modeled on that which the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy has developed in its field. Certainly we exercise no controls over this super secret agency through a check on the purse strings.

The Committee on Armed Services deserves due credit for their application and diligent work on this piece of legislation. The hearings total 4,091 pages, accumulated in approximately 50 hours and 25 minutes of on-the-record hearings spread over 21 days. Rapidly calculating, I estimate that the committee considered this authorization at about the rate of \$789,666 per minute of open hearing time, an evidence of unusual efficiency especially when you consider that their considerations ranged from Alaska to the Midway Islands including the British West Indies, the Canal Zone, Cuba, French Morocco, Hawaii, Iceland, Italy, Japan, Johnson Island, Mariana Islands, and the Marshall Islands in between. Without being able to tell what went on in the off-the-record hearings, one can wish the Army and Navy had justified their requests as forthrightly as the Air Force.

The Army will be authorized \$551,-
105,000 in this bill as contrasted with
\$236 million granted in fiscal 1955—an
increase of over 100 percent. The Navy
will be authorized \$596,140,900 in this bill
to accomplish public works as compared
with about \$202 million for fiscal 1955,
an increase of well over 100 percent.
The Air Force will be authorized \$1,165,-
456,000 in this bill, an increase of more
than 300 percent over last year's author-
ization of \$398,954,000.

Is this too much, or is it too little? Can we use this real estate instead of weapons against an enemy? I just do not know. On the basis of the information furnished me I have no way of reaching a sensible conclusion. So, I voted "Present."

The CHAIRMAN. Under the rule the Committee rises.

Accordingly the Committee rose, and the Speaker having resumed the chair, Mr. MURKIN, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, reported that that Committee having had under consideration the bill (H. R. 6839) to authorize certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations, and for other purposes, pursuant to House Resolution 283 he reported the same back to the House with sundry amendments adopted in the Committee of the Whole.

The SPEAKER. Under the rule the previous question is ordered.

Is a separate vote demanded on any amendment? If not the Chair will put them en bloc. The amendments were agreed to.

The amendments were agreed to and the bill was ordered to be engrossed.

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